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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE ipated Classification of this application: ass: \_\_\_\_\_ Subclass \_\_ rior Application: Examiner: <u>Joe Logsdon</u> Art Unit: <u>2662</u> Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231 This is a request for filing a Continuation application of pending prior application Serial No. <u>09/610,629</u>, filed on <u>07/05/2000</u> of Nigrin, Jan and Polasek, Martin IJ for DIVERSITY COMMUNICATION SYSTEM AND METHOD OF OPERATION ñ THEREOF ij 1. COPY OF PRIOR APPLICATION AS FILED WHICH IS ATTACHED IJ The copy of the papers of the prior application as filed which are attached are as follows: 19 pages of specification 13 pages of claims 1 page of abstract <u>10</u> pages of drawings \_2 pages of Small Entity Status

my records reflect that the original signed declaration showing applicant's signature was filed on 05/01/98.

#### 2. FEE CALCULATION

### CLAIMS AS FILED

Number filed	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee \$370.00
Total Claims 50-20 = 30	x	\$9.00 =	270.00
Independent 3-3 = 0	x	\$30.00 =	0.00

Total \$ 640.00

## 3. SMALL ENTITY STATUS

A verified statement that this filing is by a small entity has been filed in the parent application and such status is still proper and desired (37 C.F.R. §1.28(a))

# 4. RELATE BACK - 35 U.S.C. §120

Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

"This is a continuation of copending application Serial No. 09/610,629 filed on 07/05/2000, which is a continuation of Serial Number 09/071,301 filed on 05/01/98."

#### 4. INVENTORSHIP STATEMENT

- (a) With respect to the prior copending U.S. application from which this application claims benefit under 35 U.S.C. §120, the inventors in this application are the same.
- (b) The inventorship for all the claims in this application is the same.

## 5. FEE PAYMENT BEING MADE AT THIS TIME

☑ Enclosed

basic filing fee

\$ <u>640.00</u>

Total Fees Enclosed

\$ 640.00

## 6. METHOD OF PAYMENT

enclosed is a check (Number ) in the amount of \$640.00.

#### 7. POWER OF ATTORNEY

- The power of attorney in the prior application is to Terry M. Gernstein, Registration Number 26,891.
- The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.
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I hereby declare further that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true; that all statements made herein on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of this application or any patent issuing thereon.

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